

REMARKS

Claims 1-31 are pending in the application. Claims 1-17 and 21-31 have been withdrawn.

Specification and Claims

Minor changes have been made to the specification to place it in better form for U.S. practice.

Further, minor changes have been made to the pending claims, without affecting the scope thereof, to place them in better form for U.S. practice.

Claim Objections

Claims 18-20 have been objected to as being improper form because claim 18 includes limitations of claims 1 and 7 that have been withdrawn from consideration.

In view of this, claim 18 has been amended to include all of the limitations claims 1 and 7, as suggested by the Examiner, to overcome this objection.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw this objection.

Claim Rejections -35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 18-20 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) as being anticipated by Malmgren (USP 6,609,012). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 18 of the present application claims:

a receiving device including,

a plurality of data reception antennas,

reception means, for the receiving device, receiving a first external designation signal designating one of the plurality of data transmission antennas for use in data reception, and

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receiving means receiving the data from the transmission means of the transmitting device using the data reception antenna designated by the second external designation signal. (*emphasis added*)

More specifically, as shown in Figs. 3-5, the wireless transmitting/receiving means 79 (“receiving means”) of the display unit 30 (“receiving device”) receives the data from the wireless transmitting/receiving means 65 (“transmission means”) of the video transmitter unit 20 (“transmitting device”).

In the Office Action, the Examiner alleges that the BS or base station of the Malmgren reference corresponds to both the “transmitting device” *and* the “receiving device” of the present invention.

Applicants submit, that Malmgren shows, in Fig. 1, a base station BS transmitting data to a plurality of sectors; a mobile terminal MT being located in each sector, and also shows, in Fig. 2, the base station BS receiving data transmitted by the mobile terminal MT. However, Malmgren does not disclose or suggest the base station BS (corresponds to the “receiving device,” according to the Examiner) receiving data from the base station BS (also corresponds to the “transmitting device” according to the Examiner). Therefore, Malmgren fails to disclose or suggest the “receiving means,” as recited in claim 18.

Further, with regard to the “plurality of data reception antennas,” the Examiner refers to col. 1, lines 45-59 of the reference and alleges that “each sector has its own antenna.”

Although it is not clear to Applicants as to the relationship of the Examiner’s statement with the “plurality of data reception antennas” of the claimed invention of the present application, Applicants submit that there is no indication in the Malmgren reference that it has a

plurality of data reception antennas for receiving data. The reference merely states, in col. 1, lines 32-35:

With these antennas, a base station (BS) can restrict its transmission to a more definitive area or sector in which a given mobile terminal (MT) is located. (*emphasis added*)

There is no statement as to the number of antennas that may receive data from the mobile station MT.

Applicants also note that even assuming that the mobile terminal MT corresponds to the “receiving device” of the present invention, which Applicants do not admit, there is no indication in the reference that the mobile terminal MT has “a plurality of data receiving antennas,” as required in claim 18.

Claims 19 and 20, dependent on claim 18, are allowable at least for their dependency on claim 18.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw this rejection.

Conclusion


Accordingly, in view of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the rejections and objections, and allowance of the pending claims are earnestly solicited.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Maki Hatsumi, Registration No. 40417 at the telephone number of the undersigned below to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Director is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge any fees required during the pendency of the above-identified application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448.

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